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On April 9, a decree dismissing 26 of 50 "honorary" presidential advisers went into effect. President Carlos Menem signed the decree April 3. In mid-January, Menem said he planned to reduce the number of presidential advisers, and expressed his support for sanctions against "those who present themselves as influence peddlers..." Included among the 26 is former president Arturo Frondizi (1958-1962), who turned in his resignation nearly three weeks ago. Frondizi, deposed by a military coup, resigned due to disagreements with the Menem administration on economic policy. In particular, he criticized the elimination of import restrictions, asserting that such policies will only exacerbate the recession crippling the domestic industrial sector. (Basic data from EFE, 04/09/91)

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